



Two Members Reappointed to Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

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WASHINGTON – The United States Mint today announced the reappointment of two members to the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) — Donald Scarinci and Michael F. Moran.

Mr. Scarinci was reappointed based on the recommendation of Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid. Mr. Scarinci was first appointed to the CCAC in 2005, and was reappointed in 2008 and 2012. Mr. Moran was reappointed based on the recommendation of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. Mr. Moran was first appointed in 2011.

Mr. Scarinci, the senior partner in one of the largest law firms in New Jersey, has been a collector of coins and medals for more than 30 years, and has written and lectured extensively about medallic art and design. In 2005, Mr. Scarinci was appointed by the Department of the Treasury to serve on the CCAC and is now in his third term. He lends his expertise as a nominating judge for the Krause Coin of the Year Award and serves on award committees for the American Numismatic Society and the American Numismatic Association.

Mr. Moran is an award winning numismatic author, lecturer, and researcher. His works include an article about the United States Mint at San Francisco during the great earthquake of 1906, which won the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) 2006 Heath Literary Award, and the masterwork Striking Change – The Great Artistic Collaboration of Theodore Roosevelt and Augustus Saint-Gaudens. He currently serves as a managing partner of a major building products supply company in western Colorado.

Established by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to an Act of Congress in 2003, the CCAC advises the Secretary on theme and design proposals relating to circulating coinage, bullion coinage, Congressional Gold Medals, and national and other medals produced by the Mint. The CCAC also makes commemorative coin recommendations to the Secretary and advises on the events, persons, or places to be commemorated, as well as on the mintage levels and proposed designs. The CCAC submits an annual report to Congress and the Secretary describing its activities and providing recommendations.

The Congressional leadership recommends candidates for four of the CCAC member positions to the Secretary of the Treasury from among citizens who are specially qualified to serve by virtue of their education, training or experience. The Secretary fills seven additional positions through an open application process from among citizens who are specially qualified – one in each of the following areas: numismatic curation, medallic arts or sculpture, American history, and numismatics. The Secretary exercises direction and authority over the CCAC. The Mint is responsible for providing the necessary administrative support, technical services, and advice to the CCAC.

About the United States Mint

The United States Mint was created by Congress in 1792 and became part of the Department of the Treasury in 1873. It is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces numismatic products, including proof, uncirculated, and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver and gold bullion coins. The United States Mint's numismatic programs are self-sustaining and operate at no cost to the taxpayer.

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